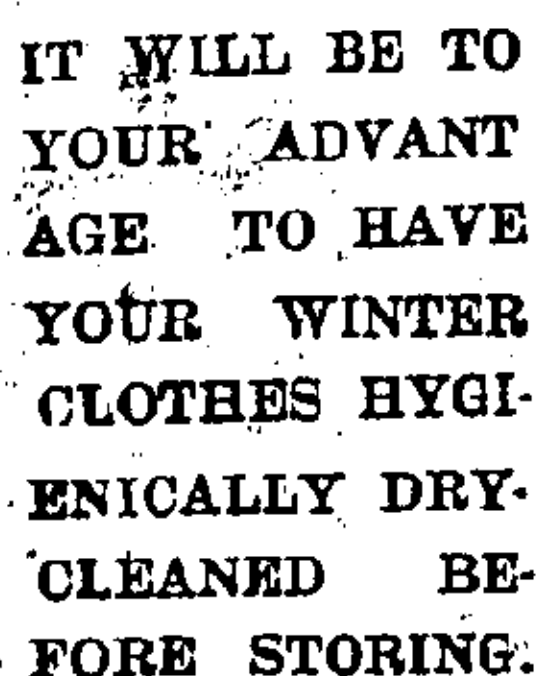


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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Benjamin and Potts, in their
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During the week only small fluctuations
have occurred in local stocks, and the
market generally continues quite firm.

Rubber shares are strong according to
advice from Shanghai and the Straits,
but there is very little interest being taken
locally.

Banks.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks
were sold down to \$1,225. The price at
home is unchanged at \$139. P. & O.
Banks are enquired for and shares have
been bought from London at \$117.6.

Marine and Fire Insurances.—All Marine
Insurances are in demand. Unions have
been booked at the improved rate of \$270
and Yangtzes have firmed up to \$44.
Cantons are without business but can be
placed at quotation. China Underwriters
have found buyers at \$3. Hongkong Fires
have changed hands at \$655, ex the divid-
end of \$25 paid on the 25th ultimo, but
there are no more sellers. China Fires
continue in request at \$183.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton & Macao
Steamboats are quoted higher at \$371.
"Star" Ferries are slightly easier with
sales made at \$86 and close with buyers
at \$87. Douglas Steamships are now
standing at \$24, ex the annual dividend
of 8 per cent. (\$4 per share) paid on the
30th ultimo.

Refineries.—China Sugars are very flat
with no business reported and stand at a
nominal quotation of \$69. Malaboss are
in strong demand and have had a smart
rise to \$46.

Oils and Mining.—Langkats show a
further rise, but close weaker. The com-
bined have been bought at Tls. 27/28,
and the "Singles" at Tls. 13. Explora-
tions are still in demand at Tls. 6 and
the loans at Tls. 7. Kailan Mines have
been sold in London at 56/-, Benguet
Consolidated have buyers at \$2.60, ex
the dividend of 15 centavos paid on the
31st ultimo.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—Hong-
kong and Whampoa Docks have weakened
with sales made down to \$123, ex the final
dividend of \$2. Shanghai Docks have
been sold at Tls. 126. New Engineerings
are down with Shanghai only offering
Tls. 8.35. Hoogkew Wharves have buyers
at Tls. 204 after sales.

Land, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong-
kong Lands rose to \$291, but close weak
and are now offering at \$261. Humphreys
Estates continue in favour with a sale
reported at \$202. Hongkong Realities are
asked for at \$4.50, after sales at \$4.50.
Hongkong Hotels have further weakened,
and sales have been made down to \$151.

Electric Companies.—Hongkong Elec-
tricity after temporarily weakening have
been hardened, with business done at
\$69/67. China Lights (combined) fell
away to \$39, but are now firmer. The old
shares are steady at \$54, but the new
have risen to \$19. Hongkong Tramways
show little change, business still being
done in them round about \$38.

Cotton Mills.—Ewos were sold at Tls.
111, but no more shares are offering
except at an advance. Orientals are
easier at Tls. 3.50. Shanghai Cottons,
both old and new, are steady at quota-
tions.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements
are in strong demand and show a further
rise, the market closing with buyers at
\$314. Dairy Farms are stronger with
buyers at \$271. China Providents (com-
bined) are firm at \$38. The new shares
on which a call of \$5 is due on the 15th
instant have been offering and sales have
been made from \$9.60 to \$9.25. Watsons
are now quoted at \$20, ex the dividend
of \$2 and the new shares at \$14. Peak
Trams are for sale at \$23. Constructions
have further weakened to \$5. China
Omnibuses are higher at Tls. 13. Canton
Ice is enquired for at \$7.

Forward Settlement Days.—April 28th
(Tuesday), May 26th (Tuesday), June 23rd
(Tuesday) and July 28th (Tuesday).
Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London
to-day is 2/3 and on Shanghai 73 1/2.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

APRIL 3RD, 1925.	
Hongkong and Shanghai	\$1,225
Banks	\$139
Canton Insurance	\$270 b.
Union Insurance	\$270 b.
Hongkong Fire Insurance	\$265 b.
"Star" Ferries	\$37 b.
China Sugars	\$694 nom.
Langkats (combined)	Tls. 27 1/2
Whampoa Docks	\$123 b.
Shanghai Docks	Tls. 126
Hongkong Wharves	Tls. 204 b.
Hongkong Lands	\$291
Hongkong Hotels	\$151
Humphreys Estates	\$202 b., 20 1/2
Ewo Cotton Mills	Tls. 111
Cement (combined)	\$314 b., 31 1/2
Dairy Farms	\$271 b.
Watsons	\$20 b.
Hongkong Electric	\$69 b.
China Lights	\$32 b.
Hongkong Tram	\$38 b.
Peak Tramways	\$23 b.

b—buyers; s—sellers; n—niles.

COMPANY REPORT.

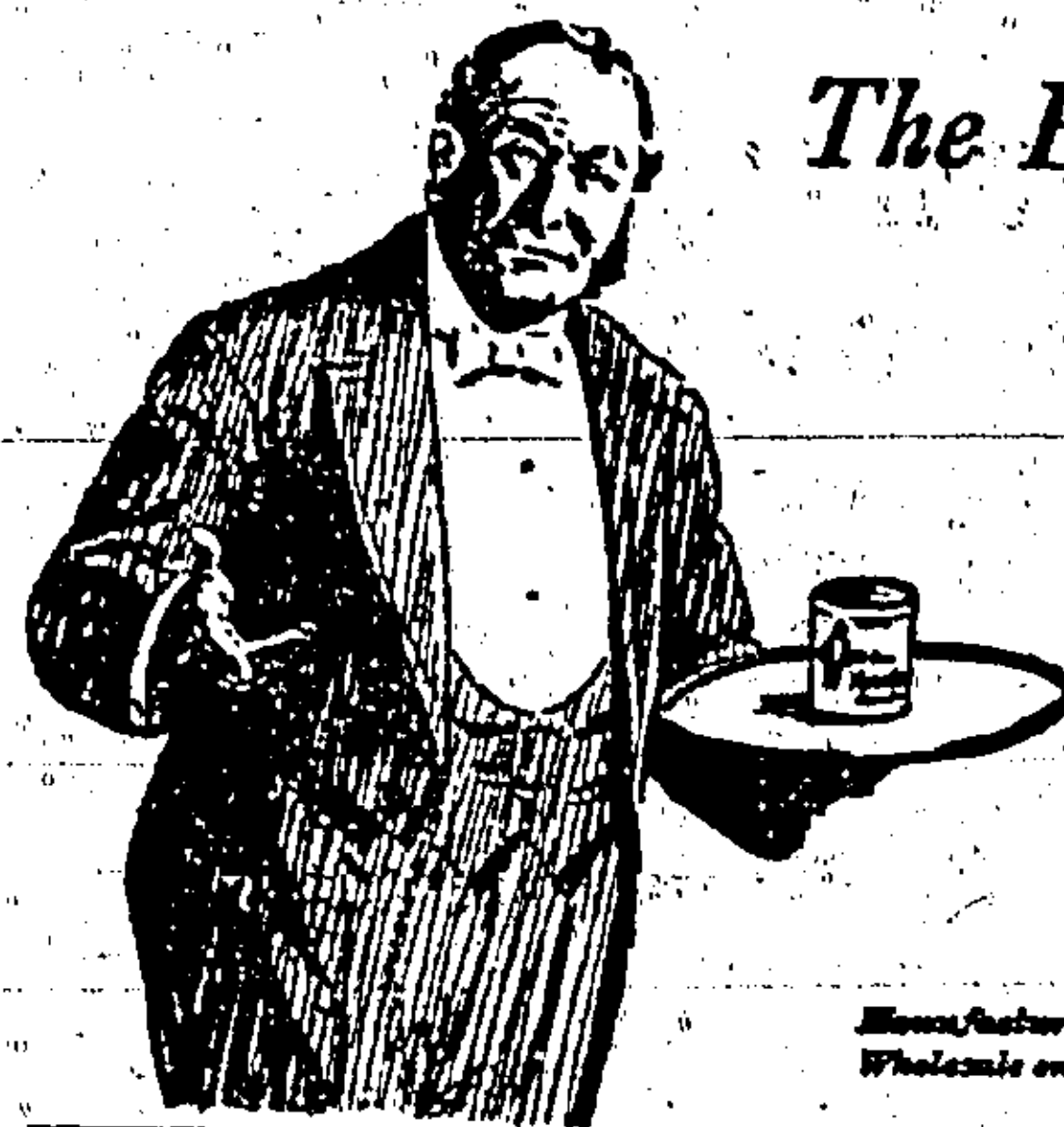
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mend the following allocation of the
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Balance on Profit and Loss	\$225,452.05
Account	
which after allowing for	
Depreciation	18,891.29
	\$206,560.76
and adding the balance	
brought forward from last	
year	28,719.07
leaves the sum available for	
distribution	\$235,279.83

(Continued at foot of next Column.)



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COMPANY MEETING.

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The 18th ordinary annual meeting of
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day in the Company's office, No. 2, Ice
House Street. Mr. C. H. Lyson pre-
sided.

The CHAIRMAN said: Gentlemen,—The
report and statement of accounts for the
year ending 1924, having been in your
hands for the prescribed period, I pro-
pose, with your permission to take them
as read. The net profit for the year
under review is \$10,755.20, which is a
decrease of \$4,473.34 on the previous year.
This is partly due to the extra expenses
involved in alterations to our new pre-
mises, coolie hire for the removal of goods,
etc., which cost us approximately \$2,000,
but I am sure you will agree with me
gentlemen that the sum has been well
expended as we now occupy one of the
finest sites in the Colony, which should
be the means of increasing our sales and
also add to the prestige of the company.

Although our profits for the past year
show a decrease on the previous year,
your directors consider that as our busi-
ness in the outports has been practically
nil, with the prevailing troubles, and also
taking into the consideration the adverse
circumstances caused by the general de-
pression of business throughout the
Colony, the balance sheet as placed before
you is a satisfactory one, and they trust
it will meet with the approval of the
shareholders. The net profit of \$10,755.20
together with the balance of \$328.76,
brought forward from profit and loss
account for 1923, makes a total credit of
\$11,083.96 which your directors recom-
mend to be disposed of as follows: To
pay a dividend of 60 cents per share on
18,105 shares, which will also cost \$10,863
and to carry forward the balance of
\$218.96 to this year's account.

In conclusion, gentlemen, I am of
opinion that the year under review has
been a satisfactory one and I beg to move
a vote of thanks to the management for
the able manner in which they have look-
ed after our interests and I sincerely
trust that, with their co-operation, we
shall have far better results to place
before you at our next annual meeting.
With these few remarks I have much
pleasure in proposing the adoption of the
report and accounts as presented, and
after they have been seconded, I shall be
pleased to answer to the best of my ability
any questions the shareholders may de-
sire to put.

Mr. J. H. OXBERRY, in seconding, said
that, although, as shareholders, they
would have liked to have seen a larger
dividend, something in the nature of
former years, he thought they would all
agree that the outports and coast ports
had been in a very unsettled state in the
last year. This, coupled with the restric-
tions imposed on the sale of wines and
spirits by the Government, had resulted
in a decrease of their business. He
thought there was no one in a better posi-
tion than himself to say what was the
position of the wine and spirit trade. He
thought shareholders would be quite satis-
fied that the directors and officials of the
company had done their very best in the
interests of the shareholders.

The motion was unanimously carried.
The re-election of Mr. Lau Po Wing as
director was proposed by Mr. C. Bond,
seconded by Mr. D. RUMJAHN and un-
animously carried.

Mr. FANK proposed the re-election of
Messrs. Lowe, Bingham & Matthews as
auditors at a fee of \$750.

Mr. Lau Po Wing seconded and the
motion was carried.

Mr. J. H. OXBERRY proposed that the
directors' fee for the coming year be \$750
each. This was seconded, and carried.
Those present at the meeting were:
Mr. C. H. Lyson (Chairman), Mr. S. C.
Fank (Managing Director), Mr. Lau Po
Wing (Director), Mr. C. Bond (Secretary)
and the following shareholders: Messrs.
Leung Yau Po, J. H. Oxberry, D. Rum-
jahn, Pang Kok Sui, Chow Fung Sang
and Pang Kwok Pak.

It is proposed to place to	
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To pay a Bonus to Staff of	
approximately	14,000.00
To pay Dividend of \$1.25	
per share and a bonus of	
15 cents per share, making	175,000.00
\$1.40 in all, absorbing the	
balance to the credit of	
the new account of ap- proximately	24,200.00
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[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

EDINBURGH, March 4th.
A great engineering scheme, the mere whisper of which might well cause to turn in their graves the bones of the Highland chiefs and clansmen who defeated Argyll at Inverlochy and followed Prince Charlie to the Crag on Ben Alder, has, as I have already written you, got so far into practical shape that a contract has been closed for the construction of what is called "a tunnel under Ben Nevis," at a cost of a million and three-quarters sterling. Closer examination of the facts, so far as they are known, modifies to some extent the accuracy of this description of the chief engineering feature of the Lochaber hydro-electric project. The proposed tunnel fifteen miles in length and sixteen feet in diameter, which is to convey the surplus flow of Loch Treig and Loch Laggan to the power-works of the North British Aluminium Company near Fort-William, will, not as one might gather from London comments and headlines, be bored under the "top storey of our highest mountain." It would be more correct to say that the conduit will convey the power-giving current drawn from the upper waters of the Spean by a short cut under the great knees which Ben Nevis stretches towards the north and east, the depth below the surface level being nowhere more than 2,000 feet, or less than half the height of the mountain. Nevertheless, the scheme is one, that commands marked attention from the aesthetic and popular, as well as from the engineering and industrial, points of view, and not only those concerned in the production of aluminium and in the local use and distribution of electrical power, but natives and tourists, salmon fishers and distillers, and the general public, have a right to hold their own opinions concerning it. Notice is claimed by the "Ben Nevis Tunnel," in the first place, because it is perhaps the greatest and holdiest engineering scheme of its kind that has been undertaken on this side of the Atlantic, and because it is expected to afford employment on and under the Lochaber hill to no fewer than 2,500 skilled and unskilled workmen during the coming summer. That of itself is an important and gratifying feature in the immediate prospects of employment and conditions of industry in our country. The hosts of labour gathered around the bases, and even penetrating towards the core, of the great granite mass of Ben Nevis will be only a passing phenomenon. But they will leave behind permanent fruits of their labour, both underground and overground—not only in new evidence given of the dominance of man over nature; but also in the new powers left in man's command. On the Lochaber scenery—the grand features of mountain, lake, and river—the tunnel can hardly have any injurious effect that is not compensated for and more by the current of wealth and comfort and healthy industrial movement which it promises to carry into a remote and empty "sleepy hollow" of the Highlands.

BURNSIANA.
Although this year's Burns celebrations so far, this country is concerned far past, it is only now that information regarding celebrations abroad is reaching our shores. January 25th being a Sunday this year, many churches here had Burns services. But the Burns atmosphere introduced into them could not compare with that of the Burns service in a certain New York church. "All the ushers in the church," says an eyewitness, "were members of a certain Scots society and all wore kilts. During the service, the bagpipes were played, and several Scottish songs were sung. The minister, who, although an American, had been a student at Glasgow, entered into the spirit of the service and introduced into the proceedings amusing reminiscences of his student life."

In one of the recent anniversary speeches on Burns, a well-known Professor gave Tennyson's judgment on the Scottish poet. It was taken from Tennyson's "Life," and is of sufficient interest to be quoted in full. Aubrey de Vere, contributes some reminiscences, in which he says: "Not less ardent was Tennyson's enthusiasm for Burns. And here an incident with no small significance recurs to me. Read the exquisite song of Burns, 'Ye hae the perfection of the berry; ye forget for its sake those stupid things, his serious pieces!' The same day I met Wordsworth, and named Burns to him. Wordsworth praised him even more vehemently than Tennyson had done, as the great genius who had

brought poetry back to nature; but ended: 'Of course, I refer to his serious efforts, such as the "Cotter's Saturday Night"; those foolish little amatory songs of his one has to forget.' I told the tale to Henry Taylor that evening, and his answer was: 'Burns's exquisite songs and Burns's serious efforts are to me alike tedious and disagreeable readings. So much for the infallibility of poets in their own art!'

SCOTS IN PLAIN ENGLISH.

Sir James Wilson has just rendered the poems of Robert Burns in phonetic form for the benefit of Englishmen, and also provides a translation in literal English to make the meaning of the phonetic versions quite clear. Here are examples of the original, followed by the phonetic form, and then the translation into plain English:—

To a Haggis.

Fair fa' your honest souse face,
Great Chieftain o' the Puddin'-race!
Aboon them a' ye tak your place,
Painch, tripe, or sausage;
Weel are ye worthy of a grace
As lang's my arm.

Tay a haggis.

Fair far yur oanst, soosie fa's,
Great Chieftain o' the Puddin' ra's!
Ubin thum aw ye tak yur pla's
Painch, tripe, or sausage;
Weel ur ye waridie o' a gra's
As lang's ma arm.

English Version.

Good betide your honest, jolly face,
Great Chieftain of the Race of Puddings!
Above them all you take your place,
Paunch, tripe, or sausage;
Well are you worthy of a grace
As long as my arm.

"Scots, Wha Hae" presents little difficulty:—

Scots, wha' hae wi' Wallace bled,
Scots, wham Bruce has often led
Welcome to your gory bed
Or to victory!

Scots, hwa' hay wi' Wallace bled
Scots, hwa' hris hiz pafun led,
Welcum tay yur gorie bed
Or to victory!

Scots, who have bled with Wallace,
Scots, whom Bruce has often led,
Welcome to your gory bed,
Or to victory!

"Auld Lang Syne" is so well-known that it is unnecessary to give Burns's written version. For the guidance of Englishmen who attend Burns suppers the phonetic rendering will suffice:—
Shid awl nequawntans bee furgoot,
Un aivver brakht tay mind?
Un awl lang sen!

Sir James's book contains a foreword by Dr. D. M'Naught, the famous Burns authority, who says it "is intended to enable English speakers everywhere to pronounce the Ayrshire tongue as Burns himself spoke it."

SCOTS AND THE £1 NOTE.
In view of the prospect of an early return to the gold standard the financial editors of English newspapers are urging their readers to follow "the example of Scotland" and to be satisfied with using Treasury notes for ordinary purposes. It is obvious that, if every British subject were to celebrate the resumption of cash payments by demanding gold and refusing to accept Treasury or Bank notes, the drain upon the gold reserves would be so serious as to endanger the maintenance of the eagerly anticipated measure, and the inhabitants of the southern portion of the island are being reminded that Scottish experience proves the gold sovereign not to be a necessity of life, even in times of peace. Englishmen have become accustomed to the use of small notes only in the last ten years, and there might easily be a tendency to revert to an older tradition and to regard these notes as a waste-time or expedient. Such a tendency would, at all events, be a policy, and it will be the duty of all good citizens to continue to be satisfied with notes. But it is a curious coincidence that, almost exactly a hundred years ago, English Ministers were bent upon destroying the Scottish pound note and so preventing Scotland from showing the good example which is now held up for imitation on the other side of the financial border. It was a period of financial crisis—the panic in which Sir Walter Scott was ruined—and the failure of English provincial banks led to a proposal to forbid the issue of one pound notes by bankers in either country.

NO INCOME TAX ON BETS.

An important judgment affecting racing people has been decided in the King's Bench Division, Mr. Justice Bowling holding that a man is not liable to pay income tax on winning bets.

Mr. Alexander Graham appealed against a decision of the Income Tax Commissioners, who ordered him to pay £200 in respect of betting transactions. The judge held that, apparently, Mr. Graham's only source of income was successful starting price betting from his home, the evidence showing that the authorities became aware of the operations through telegrams.

The judge said a serious position would arise if a person earning profits from some recognised form of industry and having a bad bit of betting systematically might offset his losses against his profits for income tax purposes. Betting was an irrational agreement and could not be regarded as a trade open to taxation.

BRITISH GOLFERS. CHALLENGED BY AMERICANS. THREE CHAMPIONSHIPS TO BE CONTESTED.

[BY "THE OBSERVER'S" CORRESPONDENT.]

LONDON, March 1st.

If present intentions are fulfilled, this year America will throw out a challenge to British golf in each of the three championships—the Open, the Amateur, and the Ladies—and, in the case of the professionals, an attack will also be made on some of the big prize-money tournaments, in the hope, no doubt, that the players will be able to recoup themselves in the matter of expenses incurred in making the European trip. Apparently, these Americans think it well worth the outlay of £250 at least to win the British Championship, which carries with it the trifling sum of £75 in cash and a gold medal. Even if you win there is a debit balance to face of nearly £200, which, at first sight, appears to be bad business, not worth the candle. But it is rather a case of "casting your bread upon the waters" in the sure knowledge that if you should land in the States with the British Cup in your possession a fortune awaits you.

Hagen calculates that the winning of the British championship means £5,000 a year to him in playing and exhibition fees, and in a hundred and one other ways. Evidently, to be styled the British champion attracts a far greater number of dollars to one's banking account than does the title of United States champion. The reason is, not far to seek. The American public, regarding British sporting events as the greatest and the finest in the world, and the winning of them as the hallmark of supreme achievement, are prepared handsomely to acknowledge in the only manner worth having a "world's winner" returning to their shores. It is somewhat different in this country, although the pecuniary advantages attaching to success in the Open championship are not by any means to be sneezed at. Braid, Taylor, and Vardon have built up splendid connections in several branches of the game by reason of their many personal triumphs in the past, while Havers, who won in 1923, should not have netted less than £2,000.

DUNCAN AND MITCHELL.

Fired by the example of Hagen, other American professionals will be at Prestwick in June, among them Macdonald Smith, who recently won the Californian championship for the second year in succession. Mitchell and Duncan fired for fourth place with a score of 313, five strokes worse than the winner's total, with W. I. Hunter, who was making his debut in the professional ranks, occupying sixth place. Of sixteen matches played in California to the end of January, Duncan and Mitchell have won twelve, lost three, and halved one. Curiously enough, their first two matches were lost to Los Angeles amateurs. Mr. George von Elm and W. I. Hunter (his last appearance as an amateur) beat them by one hole at the Balboa Club, and Mr. Ervin Armstrong and Mr. Norman Macbeth were successful by the same margin on the Willshire course. Out of three matches against Macdonald Smith and A. Espinosa, who journeyed over twelve thousand miles to compete in last year's championship at Hoylake, the British pair have won two and lost one. They have also defeated Hagen and Sarazen by 4 and 3, thereby completing a very excellent record of achievement in the San Francisco district.

If an American has to win this year's British championship, it would not surprise me to find Macdonald Smith depositing Hagen. As a player of shots Smith is the better golfer, but in the matter of temperament, determination, and fixity of purpose there is none to approach Hagen. In the last two championships Smith has been beaten on the post, after starting favourite in one of them at the seemingly ridiculous odds of 4 to 1. Hagen and Smith form a very dangerous pair, and with J. Farrell, Leo Diegel, Sarazen, Barnes, and Bobby Cruickshank, the late Edinburgh player, to back them up, the American attack at Prestwick will be of a highly concentrated nature.

There is no need to despair, although it must be confessed that we have less than a dozen men who can be relied upon to put up an effective counter-attack. To take them at random, they are: Duncan, Mitchell, the two brothers Whitcombe, Ray, Havers, Gadd, and Compton. Not a very formidable lot, to be sure, and some of them, to be quite frank, with rather coarse and not altogether (Continued on next column).

"GRAVE SCANDAL." THE EMPIRE EXHIBITION AT WEMBLEY.

The working conditions, price of admission, and Sunday opening were among the minor criticisms of the Exhibition during the report stage on the money resolution increasing the Government's guarantee from £100,000 to £1,100,000, in the House of Commons on March 2nd.

Mr. Runciman (Liberal) complained of the looseness in the administration of the accountancy.

The Parliamentary Secretary for Overseas Trade (Mr. Samuel), in replying, mentioned that the exhibition would have been shut at one time but for the Duke of Devonshire's public spirit in pledging a private fortune, to the extent of £300,000, as a guarantee, which was subsequently ratified by the House of Commons as rightly transferable to the taxpayer. He declared that the Government would not accept any further liability. If more money were required some one else would have to come forward with fresh guarantees. Mr. Samuel did not anticipate that any profits would accrue.

Sir Alfred Butt, who has since died, described the exhibition as a grave scandal, involving much corruption. He demanded that a properly audited balance-sheet should be placed before the Government, showing the whole financial position clearly.

Mr. Samuel read a report of January last year, stating that no corruption had occurred.

Sir Alfred Butt said that he referred to the period since the report was issued. Mr. Samuel promised to consider a reduction in the prices of admission, but was unable to remit the question of Sunday opening.

convincing golfing styles. Actually, Duncan and Mitchell are our only real bullwarks. Each is capable of winning; the former, when adequately inspired, and the latter when not frightened of his own shadow. The two Whitcombes are our next best props, and it may be that time will show that they are the most reliable. They have yet to consolidate a position only slenderly held, and none can say definitely how they will fare when the forces emerge from their seasonal inactivity and get to grips again.

MR. BOBBY JONES'S RECORD.

Of the famous American amateurs only Mr. Bobby Jones has so far decided to compete in the Amateur Championship at Westward Ho! but it is not improbable that he will be accompanied by others, although the grand attack will be deferred until next year when the undefeated United States Walker Cup team comes to Britain. American amateurs have been singularly unfortunate in their attempts to carry off the British Championship, for in the whole of its history only one—Mr. Walter Travis, twenty-one years ago at Sandwich, has succeeded. As the world's best golfer, Mr. Bobby Jones will be a very formidable opponent. For an amateur, who is only twenty-three years of age, his record in the American Open Championship is astounding. In the last five years his aggregate scores have been:—1920, 225; 1921, 303; 1922, 239; 1923, 266; 1924, 300. In 1923, when he won after a tie with H. Cruickshank, his rounds were: 71, 73, 76, 78; in the previous year when he and John Black were beaten a stroke by Gene Sarazen, Mr. Jones's rounds were 74, 75, 70, and 73. He was again second last year. His grand total for the five Championships is 1,437, giving an average score of 74.32 per round. It shows wonderful consistency and precision, qualities which no other professional or amateur has ever approached to such a degree. And today he is the United States Amateur Champion, thereby completing a cycle of achievement that is positively dazzling. It is impossible to disguise the fact that Mr. Jones's presence at Westward Ho! constitutes a real danger to the uninterrupted series of British successes.

The same can hardly be said of the American ladies who are coming to Troon to try their luck in the Ladies' Championship, because so long as Miss Wethered is there to defend the position for Britain we need not have the slightest fear that an American will triumph. Miss Edith Cummings, Miss Glenn Collett, and Miss Marion Hollins, all ex-champions of the postwar period, and Mrs. Charence Vanderbeck are among others who will make the trip. Miss Alex. Stirling would have given strength to the attack, but as she is engaged to be married to an Ottawa doctor, her services are not available. Both Miss Cummings and Miss Collett are young golfers, each about twenty-one years of age. This will be Miss Collett's first experience of British golf. She first came into prominence in the American Championship of 1921 when she returned the best score in the qualifying stage, two strokes ahead of Miss Cecil Leitch. In a subsequent tournament at Philadelphia, Miss Collett defeated in turn two British players—Miss Leitch in the semi-final, and Mrs. W. A. Gavin in the final. In the following year Miss Collett won the championship, Mrs. Gavin again being the victim in the final stage.

PURSUIT AND SHOTS.

NIGHT EPISODE IN WOOSUNG STREET.

An armed robbery was committed at the Fat Hing Lau tea-shop, 110, Woosung Street, at 11.50 p.m. on Thursday night. The mistress of the tea-shop relates that, while she and her folks were inside, three men, armed with revolvers and daggers burst in, and drove all the occupants into the kitchen, where they were bound and gagged. The robbers then ransacked the place and decamped with jewellery, clothing and money of the total value of \$200. Some connection with the above is apparently held by a report made by Lance-Sergeant Butcher to the effect that he was on duty with a party of constables in Woosung Street on Thursday night soon after a robbery had been committed in a local tea-shop. About 3 a.m. a man was seen coming out from one of the houses carrying a basket. On being commanded to stop, the man ran away and Sergeant Butcher and his constables gave chase through several streets. Eventually a volley of shots was fired at the fugitive, who was wounded in the hand and gave in. The basket contained clothes which could not be identified as the property stolen from the tea-shop. The man, however, admitted having stolen the clothes from another house. After being taken to the Kwong Wah Hospital for treatment, the man was taken into custody.

TWO-YEAR-OLD ROBBERY.
YOUNG CHINESE COMMITTED.

A young Chinese appeared before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry at the Central Magistracy yesterday, charged with having been one of the four men who had perpetrated an armed robbery at Wong Nei Cheong village on April 15th, 1923.

A Chinese woman who lived at the house in question, said that she recollected how four armed men entered the house, defendant being one of the four. One of the robbers rushed at her husband and stabbed him causing him to fall on the ground. Defendant then broke open a case and stole a gold watch and two pendants. He then pointed a pistol at her and commanded her not to move. He afterwards gagged and bound her hands and feet, and did likewise with her husband. The robber who had stabbed her husband washed his dagger with some tea which was on the table and dried it with one of the children's handkerchiefs. The robbers then left.

She had identified defendant from amongst a dozen men in Victoria Gaol. Defendant, who admitted being with the other robbers, said that all he had done was to point a pistol at witness. He was committed for trial at the Sessions.

LAW SOCIETY'S GIFT.

PRESENTATION TO MR. A. B. SUFFIAD.

Mr. A. B. Suffiad, who retired about a month ago, from his post as the Chief Justice's Clerk, has been presented by the Hongkong Law Society with a cheque and scroll bearing the names of subscribers and solicitors, in appreciation of his unflinching tact and courtesy in his capacity as Clerk.

The presentation was made by Sir Henry Pollock, K.C., Acting Attorney-General, and Mr. G. K. Hall Bruton, President of the Law Society, made a short speech in which he stated that the solicitors of the Colony wished Mr. Suffiad health, happiness and prosperity in his retirement. Mr. Suffiad suitably replied.

U.S.S. "HURON."

OFFICERS TO BE ENTERTAINED ON H.M.S. "TAMAR."

In connection with the visit of the U.S.S. *Huron*, flagship of the American Asiatic Fleet, it is announced that the men have been made honorary members of the Naval Canteen, and have been invited to attend the cinematograph shows on H.M.S. *Tamar*. Some of the American officers have been invited to dinner on Wednesday next by the officers of the *Tamar*.

CORRESPONDENCE.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS,"]

SIR,—Some very alarming statements as to the structural condition of St. Paul's Cathedral have recently been circulated. Some of your readers may be interested to read the reassuring report of the Expert Committee appointed to investigate the matter.

The Report itself is too long and too technical to be of general interest, but I think it may be a relief to many to read the concluding remarks—which I have drawn your attention to in red ink in the accompanying Journal.—Yours faithfully,

E. A. R.

The Journal is that of the Royal Society of British Architects in which the full report is printed. The part marked in red ink reads as follows:—

Your Commission's recommendation may therefore be summarised as follows:—
(1) To consolidate the piers by grouting through bore-holes in similar lines to the method adopted on the North-east transept pier already referred to, by strengthening the pier temporarily with steel and timber casing during the process, and by reinforcing the piers with metal rods embedded in the bore-holes, to be followed by replacement of any defective ashlar.

(2) To encase the drums of the dome with metal hooping to check any possible cumulative increase in circumference of this fabric.

(3) To repeat at, say, six-monthly intervals the series of levelling observations and also the plumbing and other measurements described in the report and for which special instruments have been provided.

(4) To guard against danger accruing from building operations in the immediate vicinity and below the level of the foundations of the Cathedral.

Your Commission are of opinion that, if the work advised by them is carried out, the piers will be brought into a condition at least as good as their original construction. They do not believe that a complete reconstruction of the piers and their foundations is advisable or necessary, and they wish definitely to dissociate themselves from any proposals of this nature.

We are, gentlemen, yours faithfully,

ASTON WEBB.
BASIL MOTT.
E. C. TRENCHE.
G. W. HUMPHREYS.
MERVIN E. MACARTNEY.

FOUGHT AT FALKLAND.

P. AND O. VETERAN'S NOTABLE RECORD.

A very interesting personality who has just passed through Hongkong is Mr. T. M. Vendell, who has been boatwain on board the P. & O. s.s. *Maedonia* ever since she was commissioned at Belfast in 1904, over 21 years ago.

The *Maedonia* was an auxiliary cruiser throughout the late War, and Mr. Vendell was present at the Falkland Islands battle, on December 8th, 1914, in which the German cruisers *Scharnhorst*, *Gneisenau*, *Nürnberg*, and *Leipzig* were sunk, and two storeships, the *Buden* and the *Santa Isabel*, were captured by the British fleet, which was under the command of Admiral Sturdee. From May, 1918, up to the conclusion of hostilities, the *Maedonia* was on convoy duty between Rio and England.

Mr. Vendell, who is a native of Bridgwater, Somerset, is married, and has six children, one of whom is now serving on board the P. & O. s.s. *Naldora* on the Bombay-Australia service.

CURIOUS CASE IN SIAM.

MONEY FOR ATTEMPTED MURDER.

The International Court, says the *Siam Observer*, sat on March 19th, to hear a case in which Nai Liep was charged with the attempted murder of Madame Burnay, near Wat Chet Samien, on January 28th last.

Conjointly with this case the Court took up the hearing of the claim of Madame Burnay against Nai Liep for Tcs. 6,000 damages for personal injuries.

On the Bench were H.S.H. Prince Koshorn, Phra Thep Pracha and M. Laurent, the Legal Adviser. The prosecution was conducted by Phya Arthakonchanath, while Mme. Burnay appeared in support of her claim for damages.

In their judgment the Court found the accused guilty of the charge, and sentenced him to six years' imprisonment. The Court also, in passing judgment on Madame Burnay's claim, assessed the damages at Tcs. 5,400. On this latter sentence the Legal Adviser dissented, contending that the damages of Tcs. 6,000 should be awarded in full.

LOCAL SPORT.

FOOTBALL.

The following games are down for decision to-day:—

"SUNDAY HERALD" CHARITY CUP.

Scotland v. The Rest, Hongkong F.C. ground, at 4.30 p.m. Referee: Mr. F. Smith. Linesmen: Messrs. Andrews and MacMillan.

HONGKONG LEAGUE.

Division II.

East Surreys Reserves v. Hongkong Club Reserves, Hongkong F.C. ground, at 3 p.m. Referee: Mr. Torrey.

South China A v. St. Joseph's B, South China ground, at 3 p.m. Referee: Mr. Austin.

The teams for the Charity game will be as under:—

Scotland.—A. E. Clarke; McKelvie and Dewar; Mair (captain), J. Stewart, and A. Duncan; Johnstone, Forsyth, McBride, Dr. Valentine and Key.

The Rest.—Wavish; Wheeler and Wynne; Leung Fuk Tong, Mitchell and Chung Wing Shing; Charlesworth, Eaton, Johnson, Lai Wai Tong and Chan Kwong Lu.

Scotland will play in blue and the Rest in white. The cup will be presented to Scotland at the end of the game.

With the grounds unfit for other sport, a record gate should be taken for charity.

The Club de Recreio are sailing tomorrow for Shanghai, where they will try conclusions on the football field with the Portuguese of the Settlement. The Inter-Port team have fielded a few Portuguese when they have met Hongkong so the Recreio Club will not get an easy game when they meet their Shanghai compatriots.

LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

Division I.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
East Surrey	13	12	1	0	43	7	34
South China A	13	8	3	2	30	13	18
Kowloon	13	7	5	1	25	15	15
Hongkong Club	12	6	5	1	21	12	13
H.K. Police	14	5	6	3	11	19	13
H.A.	13	6	7	0	18	22	12
H.M.S. <i>Tamar</i>	14	4	9	1	12	16	9
South China B	14	1	13	0	7	55	2

Division II.

	Goals						
	P.	W.	L.	D.	F.	A.	P.
Club de Rec. 'A'	22	20	1	1	101	8	41
East Surreys							
Reserves	10	16	2	1	57	14	33
St. Joseph's 'A'	21	13	6	2	40	21	28
East Surreys							
Drums	21	13	7	1	38	27	27
Kowloon Res.	22	13	9	1	37	34	25
South China 'A'	20	6	7	7	35	31	19
St. Joseph's 'B'	20	5	9	6	17	48	18
Club de Rec. 'B'	21	5	12	4	24	44	14
Sacred Heart	21	5	13	3	25	48	13
H.K. Club Res.	20	4	12	4	12	43	12
University	21	4	13	4	20	55	12
South China 'B'	22	3	15	4	15	50	10

K.C.C. v. K.F.C.

The following have been selected to play for the Kowloon Football Club in a match against the Kowloon Cricket Club, on the Kowloon F.C. ground to-day:—B. Rasmussen; W. H. Brown and P. Read; A. W. Brown (capt.), C. Caville, and S. Randle; A. Latham, C. Munday, K. Mason, W. Austen, and J. Muir. Reserve: H. S. Prowse. Kick-off at 4.30 p.m.

The K.C.C.'s team of footballers was given in our issue of Thursday.

GOLF.

The March running Pool (Bogey) was played at Happy Valley, with the following result:—G. Grumble and H. U. Ireland, both all square. 30 cards were taken out.

This month the competition will be 9 holes medal play.

FLOODS AT FANLING.

It is notified that the new course at Fanling is flooded and will be closed during the week-end. Ladies will be allowed to play on the old course under conditions mentioned in an advertisement in another column.

BILLIARDS.

CHAMPIONSHIP OF COLONY AT Y.R.C.

At the Victoria Recreation Club, last night, in the second round of the billiards championship of the Colony, P. S. Leung entered the third round by defeating Corporal Blonden, R.E. The scores, at the end of the game, read 800-673.

The following were the best breaks made:—

P. S. Leung: 12, 12, 15, 18, 15, 14, 12, 16, 13, 14, 15, 37, 23, 14, 11, 13, 13, 21, 18, 13, 17, 14, 21, 12.

Corpl. Blonden: 11, 11, 16, 25, 25, 15, 10, 17, 15, 13, 13, 11, 20, 12, 21, 19, 20, 21, 18.

To-night S. C. Kwok and Ip Ping Lau meet in the second round, while the match on Monday is between P. Yvanovitch and Lt. Col. F. S. Montague-Bates.

CANTON NEWS.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

THE RAINS.

The heavy rainfall during the last fortnight caused the water in the three principal rivers in Kwangtung to rise by four to five Chinese feet. If the rains continue much longer damage to the coming spring crops is feared. The rain has been a blessing to the junkmen who have been able to get their freight to market with ease.

THE EVICTED BANNERMEN.

Bannermen in Canton, Manchus enjoying lands from grants to their ancestors by the former Ching Imperial Dynasty, have after all, to give up their holdings, according to the latest decision of the military Funding Commission. In the last three months more than 2,000 Manchu families have been served with notice of eviction for failing to redeem their confiscated lands and buildings; but several weeks ago on an appeal being lodged, the sale of Bannermen lands was stopped by the Chief of the Commissariat of Finance. The Canton Municipal Department of Finance took the matter up with the Military Funding Commission, who subsequently over-ruled the order of the Commissariat of Finance stopping the sales.

THE ARSENAL.

The Kwangtung Arsenal at Shekheung, near Canton, turned out 1,100 rifles in March, this being the largest production for a month on record since the establishment of the plant. The Arsenal is now under joint management of a board representing the Kuomintang General Headquarters, the Yunnanese, Hunanese, Kwangsi and Cantonese troops.

MEAT FAMINE ENDS.

The strike of butchers which fasted seven days as a protest against alleged abuses on the part of municipal food inspectors, is now ended, the Civil Governor assured the complainants that he will instruct the Mayor to investigate the charges and remedy the grievance.

THE MINT.

Canton financial authorities are again informally inviting tenders to operate the Canton Government Mint, which has been closed for some time. It is reported that since operations were suspended, many discs belonging to the plant have been lost and have found their way into the hands of the illicit mints now flooding the local market with base coins.

TAX ON AERATED WATERS.

Dealers in aerated waters in Canton will now have to pay two military taxes on the same article. In addition to the tax of one-cent a bottle collected by the Young People's Division of the Kuomintang, the Yunnanese Division Commander is imposing a similar levy. The Kuomintang has protested, but the Yunnanese have begun collecting, taking in \$150 daily from a famed syndicate.

CINEMA NOTES.

WORLD THEATRE.

The World Theatre will play "West of the Water Bucket," the third of the famous "Fight and Win" series from Sunday to Wednesday. In this feature Jack Dempsey has an orphanage wished on him, and he gives the youngsters a rousing good time, incidentally licking a big rattler at a circus exhibition which comes to the village. Two directors, Jesse Robbins and Erle Kenton made the series. Such well-known favourites as the likeable comedian, Chuck Reisner, Hayden Stevenson, Carmelia Coraghy and Ester Ralston have important supporting roles. "The Barefoot Boy," a picturization of John Greenleaf Whittier's poem, which opens to-morrow at the World Theatre for a run of four days, boasts the finest all-star cast of any picture produced this year. Whittier would be a proud man, were he alive to-day, to see what producer David Kirkland has done with the famous poet's little gem, written over fifty years ago.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

The Queen's Theatre is offering its patrons a most interesting programme which commenced yesterday and will continue until next Monday. In addition to the short features, it is showing the Selznick Distributing Corporation's super-picture "Rupert of Hentzau," which was adapted from Sir Anthony Hope's famous novel of the same name. The setting of the story is the supposititious kingdom of Ruritania, which is governed by the Blipberg King, Rudolf VI. The Ruritarians care little for their ruler—who cares still less for them—but they adore his wife, Queen Flavia, who had married him for the sake of her subjects.

Beautiful Elaine Hammerstein makes a very satisfactory queen, and her gowns are sufficiently gorgeous to content even genuine royalty in the role of Rudolf. Rudolph and King Rudolf of Ruritania, Bert Lytle, acquires himself admirably, and Low Cody is a most dashing and attractive Rupert. The other members of the cast—and each name is that of a celebrity—give intelligent and adequate support to the principal characters.

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HAROLD T. CREESE,
Water Authority.
Public Works Department,
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1925. [2068]

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB.

FRANKING NEW COURSE is Flooded and will be CLOSED during the Next Week End.
LADIES will be allowed to play on Old Course starting when All Men have Driven Off and Must Give Way to All Men's Games.
By Order,
E. D. MATTHEWS,
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Goods not cleared by the 6th April, 1925, at Noon, will be subject to Rent.
All broken, chafed and damaged Packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined in the presence of Consignees by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, on 4th April, 1925, at 10 a.m. Claims against the Steamer including those for Cargo short delivered must be presented on the Special Form provided, and must also be submitted within 30 days of arrival, otherwise they will not be recognized.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

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FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "COPENHAGEN" having arrived, Consignees of Cargo by her are informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be presented within Two Weeks of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they will not be recognized.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 8th April, 1925, at 10 a.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by THE BANK LINE, LTD., Agents.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1925. [2060]

INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of the HONGKONG ENGINEERING AND CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held in the Offices of Messrs. SHAW, TOMES & CO., St. George's Building, Chater Road, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th day of APRIL, 1925, at 11.00 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ended on the 31st December, 1924, and of Electing Directors and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 2nd to the 8th April, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1925. [2025]

THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of THE HONGKONG & SHANGHAI HOTELS, LIMITED, will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong, on WEDNESDAY, the 8th APRIL, 1925, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended the 31st December, 1924, and of Electing a Director and the Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 1st APRIL, 1925, until WEDNESDAY, the 8th APRIL, 1925, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
J. BARTHOLOMEW,
Acting Secretary.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1925. [2067]

S.S. "PAUL LECAT."

COMPAGNIE DES MESSEAGERIES MARITIMES.

NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo from MARSEILLE, LES, &c., in connection with above Steamer are hereby informed that above Goods with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before 11.00 a.m., To-day, requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Underwriter. Goods remaining undelivered after Monday, the 6th April, 1925, at Noon, will be subject to Rent and Landing Charges.
All Claims must be submitted to us on or before Wednesday the 8th April, 1925, or they will not be recognized.
All damaged Packages will be examined on Saturday, the 4th April, 1925, at 10.00 a.m., by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
R. RODENFUSSE,
Agent.
Hongkong, 30th March, 1925. [2046]

PRINCE LINE FAR EAST SERVICE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK.

THE Steamship "GEOFFREY PRINCE" having arrived from the above Port on 1st instant, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on Wednesday, 8th instant, at 10 a.m.
All Claims must be presented within 15 days of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognized.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 8th instant, will be subject to Rent.
Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified that they must produce an Import permit signed by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, Hongkong, before Bills of Lading can be countersigned.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by FURNISS (FAR EAST), LTD., 2nd Floor, King's Building, Connaught Road, Hongkong. Telephone No. 3165.
Hongkong, 1st April, 1925. [2036]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO'S STEAMER "MACEDONIA".

ARRIVED HONGKONG ON 2nd APRIL, 1925.

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON, GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLE, PORTSAID, ADEN, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-named Vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each Consignee will be sorted out. Mark by Mark and delivery can be obtained as the Goods are landed.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless intimation has been given to the contrary Six hours before Arrival of the Steamer.
Goods not cleared within 8 days, including date of arrival will be subject to Rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.
All damaged Packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, at 10 a.m., on Monday and Thursday, within the free storage period.
All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 22nd April, or they will not be recognized.
No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns.
MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO., Agents.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1925. [2063]

INTIMATIONS

DENISON RAM & GIBBS.

THE Interest and Responsibility of ALBERT DENISON in the Firm of DENISON, RAM & GIBBS will Cease on 31st MARCH, 1925. Mr. EDWARD FREDERICK RONALD SAMPLE, A.R.I.B.A., is admitted as a Partner in the Firm from 1st APRIL, 1925. The Business will be carried on under the Name of DENISON, RAM & GIBBS. [2049]

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Partnership heretofore subsisting between MAY KAM LO and ALFRED EDWARD HALL carrying on Business as Solicitors at Alexandre Building under the Style or Firm of Messrs. LO AND LO has been dissolved as from the 1st day of APRIL, 1925, so far as concerns the said ALFRED EDWARD HALL who Retires from the said Firm.
Dated the 31st day of March, 1925.
(Signed) M. K. LO.
(Signed) M. W. LO.
(Signed) ALFRED E. HALL.
[2052]

ROYAL ARTILLERY SPORTS.

OWING to the Inclement Weather the ROYAL ARTILLERY SPORTS are POSTPONED until further Notice. [2064]

BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP.

THE HONGKONG BILLIARD CHAMPIONSHIP has now commenced at the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB. CHARGES of ADMISSION to the Preliminaries are: Club Members and Soldiers and Sailors 25 cents; Non-Members of the V.R.C. 50 cents. The First Session commences at 8 o'clock each Evening. [2021]

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

APPLICATION has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to CHEU KWONG LAM of 312, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, a Duplicate Certificate for Eight Shares in the Company or other Certificate or Certificates in lieu thereof, upon the statement that the Original Certificate No. 4444 dated Thirtieth day of November, 1907, for Shares numbered 1423 to 1428, both inclusive and 7103 has been LOST or DESTROYED. Notice is hereby given that if within Thirty days from the date hereof No Claim or representation in respect of such Original Certificate is made to the Directors, they will then proceed to deal with such application for a Duplicate or other new Certificate or Certificates.
Dated, Shanghai, 27th February, 1925.
T. A. CLARK,
Secretary and Manager.
[1933]

THE YANGTZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION, LIMITED.

APPLICATION has been made to the Directors of this Company to issue to CHEU WING ON of 312, Des Voeux Road Central, Hongkong, a Duplicate Certificate for Eight Shares in the Company or other Certificate or Certificates in lieu thereof, upon the statement that the Original Certificate No. 4456 dated Thirtieth November 1907 for Shares numbered 6476 to 6482 both inclusive and 7707 has been LOST or DESTROYED. Notice is hereby given that if within Thirty days from the date hereof No Claim or representation in respect of such Original Certificate is made to the Directors, they will then proceed to deal with such application for a Duplicate or other new Certificate or Certificates.
Dated, Shanghai, 27th February, 1925.
T. A. CLARK,
Secretary and Manager.
[1939]

PREMISES TO LET.

TO LET—HOUSE IN CANTON, SHANGHAI, British Concession, with Three 1/2-Boomed Flats with Modern Sanitary Appliances, Offices and Spacious Godown. Early Possession.
Apply to—
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TO LET.

FROM APRIL FLATS IN CHAN TONG Two Minutes from SHANGHAI BRIDGE, with Bath-rooms, Kitchens, and Servant Quarters, Electric Lights, and Water.
Apply to—
E. R. MOGRA, 25, British Concession, SHANGHAI. [2037]

TO LET.

GODOWNS in ALEXANDRA BUILDINGS (Basement).
Apply to—
SECRETARY, A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd. [2032]

TO LET.

STORAGE SPACE on Marine Lots with Godowns and Chinese Houses TO LET. W. S. BALLEW & CO., LTD., Kowloon Bay. [17981]

TO LET.

FROM JUNE 1st, 1925, Two OFFICE ROOMS on 2nd Floor, KEW BANK BUILDING. Most suitable for Share or Exchange Brokers. Apply to SANG KEE, same Building. [11934]

PREPAID "WANTED" ADVERTISEMENTS

Letters are being at this Office for Boxes No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100. [184]

WANTED—To Rent Only, Small HOUSE or Large FLAT Hongkong or Kowloon immaterial only Situation must be Good. Apply—Box No. 64, c/o Hongkong Daily Press. [184]

FOR SALE—A Baby's PERAMBULATOR (Dumkley's). Apply—Mrs. DOWD, 10, Peak. [184]

WILHAIWEL—TO LET: Newly Constructed BUNGALOW in a splendid Position Close to the Sea. Furnished. Electric Light. For particulars, apply to H. L. BEEK, WILHAIWEL. [184]

INTIMATIONS

WATSON'S AERATED WATERS

ARE PREPARED FROM REAL FRUIT-ESSENCES.

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ABSOLUTELY PURE.

LEMONADE—Has the real essence obtained from Lemons grown in Southern Italy.

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STONE GINGER BEER—The only genuine Stone Ginger Beer in the East. Prepared by a special process of fermentation which gives it the distinctive flavour which is so pleasing to the palate.

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, APRIL 4th, 1925.

ARE RAILWAYS DOOMED?

It is a startling suggestion, but the gloomy outlook taken by the Chairmen of some of the Home railways makes the question pertinent whether railways are destined to endure. The elimination of branch lines has already begun. We notice that Viscount CHURCHILL, the Chairman of the Great Western Railway Co., remarked in a recent address to the shareholders that "the time may come, as is already the case in the United States, when branch lines will have to be closed and the places on them served by road vehicles operating from the nearest trunk line station." Incidentally, if it has already begun in the United States, then Hongkong is deprived of leadership in the matter by scrapping the branch line to Shatjukok in favour of a road suitable for motor buses! Viscount CHURCHILL declared that it was no exaggeration to say that many branch lines at Home do not pay even when allowance is made for contributive value. The retort of the man-in-the-street is that if the railway companies lowered their rates they would get more traffic. It is frequently asserted that high railway rates represent the principal cause of depression of trade, and incidentally explain why railway companies have to complain of "unsatisfactory results." Viscount CHURCHILL says it is folly to suggest this. The chief cause of trade depression, he says, is the world-wide disorganisation of international finance, with consequent fluctuation of rates of exchange which have played havoc with foreign trade, while at home, high rates of wages, reduction

of hours of labour, and high price of materials have had to be faced. Nevertheless, we notice that the Great Western Co. was able to pay a dividend of 7 1/2 per cent. last year. It is not generally recognised that, in the words of Viscount CHURCHILL, railway companies have done more to reduce the price of the commodity they sell, namely transport, than almost any other section of the industrial community. Immediately on decontrol they commenced to reduce railway rates and the general level is now, he says, 50 per cent., with certain flat rate additions, above pre-war rates. It is not specifically stated that fares, as distinct from freight rates on merchandise, are embraced in this statement. The passenger grumbles equally with the man who pays freight. In connection with export business it was remarked by the Chairman that dock dues and charges had been decreased on eight occasions since the war and the general level of these charges now is about 60 per cent. above 1914. It was admitted that these reductions had stimulated traffic, but the warning was given that unless reduction in working expenses can be expected there will be no alternative for the company but to consider an increase of rates. This is the view taken by railway companies generally. The immediate outlook cannot be considered reassuring, for the Home railway companies are now faced with demands by the National Union of Railwaymen, which are estimated to involve an additional burden of £45,000,000 per annum. If this burden is actually placed upon the railways, Viscount CHURCHILL says "it will be quite impossible to operate railways." It is a doleful outlook, but those who are convinced by it that the death-knell of the railway is sounded will be few. It is not improbable that, just as we are witnessing, in places, trams being scrapped to make way for the trackless car, so we may see a gradual scrapping of unremunerative branch railways as the cost of operating them increases, but the time when it will be impossible to operate railways at all is surely very remote indeed.

Vice-Admiral G. H. Barrett, C.B., who was senior Naval Officer on the Yangtze River in 1920-21, has been placed on the retired list as his own request.

The return of notifiable diseases in the Colony for the 24 hours ended on April 2nd shows 1 case each of small-pox, diphtheria, and cerebro-spinal fever, all Chinese.

Admiral Washington, the Commander-in-Chief of the U.S. Asiatic Fleet, was entertained to dinner at Government House last night. Thirty-eight guests were invited.

Among the passengers departing by the *Empress of Russia* were Mr. P. A. Cox, Dr. J. C. Dalmahoy Allan, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Hewitt, Mr. and Mrs. P. Lander, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Mackintosh, and the Rev. and Mrs. J. Kirk Macdonald.

At the Marine Court yesterday before Lieut.-Comdr. G. F. Hole, the masters of two trading junks were fined \$10 each for having caused an obstruction by anchoring their junks in the Southern Fairway.

A pleasant function took place in the Supreme Court, Singapore, on March 26th, when the Chief Justice, Sir Walter Sidney Shaw, who is retiring this month, was the recipient of a framed address from the subordinate staff of the Supreme Court.

It must not be imagined, says *Catholic Notes*, that Diocesan meetings are devoid of interest. At one recently attended it was suggested that the new colonial church (to be built when St. Peter's was closed) should be erected at Fanling.

The popular Madeline Rossiter Company delighted another large audience at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, yesterday evening, presenting "Flares and Flashes," one of their most popular productions. To-night they will give a pot-pourri. The farewell performance will be given to-morrow night.

It is officially announced that a constant supply of water will be turned on in all rider main districts from to-morrow.

The Roman Catholic community of the Colony are raising funds for a memorial to the late Bishop Pezzoni. Several suggestions have been made as the form the memorial shall take; but a definite decision must be governed by the response made to the appeal.

As Mr. A. McKirdy, a very popular member of the Victoria Recreation Club, is shortly leaving the Colony, a presentation is to be made to him at the Club at 8 p.m. this evening. H.E. Sir Claud Severn, K.B.E., Chairman of the V.R.C., is to make the presentation.

The new church of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, on the slope of Broadwood Road, Happy Valley, is a beautiful structure in Roman style, says *The Rock*. Mass has been celebrated there for some weeks past, but the dedication ceremony will not take place until after the consecration of the successor to the late Bishop Pezzoni. The marble for the floor has not yet arrived from Italy; nor a large and beautiful painting of St. Margaret Mary which will adorn the church. When the pews are all in place there will be seating accommodation for a congregation of over 500 people. The church, excluding the priest's house, will have cost over \$100,000 which completed.

A Choral Recital will be given in the Cathedral, on Good Friday evening at 9.15. The Cathedral Choir will be augmented for this occasion. The Recital will include Mendelssohn's "Hear my prayer," with Mrs. Collett as soloist; the anthem, "The Wilderness," by Sir John Goss; also a selection from Mendelssohn's "Lobmann," i.e., duet for Soprano and Tenor. "My Song shall be always Thy mercy"; Soprano Solo, "He counteth all your sorrows"; and the chorus, "All ye that cried unto the Lord." Other soloists are, Mrs. Matheson (who will sing Frank Bridge's, "Let joy and praise to Heaven rise"); and Mrs. Hancock, Master A. Smith. Mr. Mason will be at the organ, and he will also play as an organ solo the Largo from Dvorak's Symphony "From the New World." The collection will go to the Organ Fund. The sum of \$10,000 is required for the new scheme to reconstruct completely the instrument. On Easter Day, at Matins, Mrs. Bowes-Smith will sing the aria, "I know that my Redeemer liveth" Handel; and the Choruses "Since by man" and "Even so in Christ," will be rendered by the Choir.

H.E. SIR ALLAN EVERETT.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF IS IN ILL-HEALTH.

ORDERED TO ENGLAND.

The Hongkong community will learn with regret that H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir Allan Frederic Everett, K.C.M.G., Commander-in-Chief, China Station, is in such poor health that he has, on the advice of his medical advisers, been compelled to relinquish his appointment.

The news was conveyed to all H.M.S. ships on the station in the following despatch from the Commodore, last night: "I regret to inform officers and men that owing to ill-health, it is necessary for His Excellency the Commander-in-Chief to haul down his flag and return to England."

"His Excellency's flag will probably be struck in H.M.S. *Hawkins* on April 13th, and the Rear-Admiral of the Yangtze Squadron will be appointed Commander-in-Chief temporarily."

"Captain W. J. C. Lake will be appointed Commodore (Second Class), commanding the Fifth Cruiser Squadron, pending the appointment of His Excellency's (Sir Allan Everett) successor."

HELENA MAY INSTITUTE.

LECTURE ON "SUBMARINES."

This week's children's hour at the Helena May Institute was an exceptionally interesting one, the occasion being a lecture on "Submarines," by Lieut.-Commander Crane. The lecturer gave a graphic description of the submarine, briefly outlining how it came into being, tracing its history from the earliest design up to the present day type of under-water craft. He then described the method of diving, why submerging was carried out, how it was performed and how the ascent to the surface was made.

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

FRENCH FINANCE PROBLEMS.

M. CLEMENTEL TENDERS HIS RESIGNATION.

Paris, April 3rd.
M. Clementel, French Minister of Finance, has resigned.

EARLIER CABLES.

SERIOUS SITUATION.

Paris, April 2nd.
The seriousness of the financial situation is engrossing public attention. It appears that the Treasury does not know which way to turn to meet its liabilities, which are aggravated by the fact that many milliards of short-term loans are maturing in the summer and the bank note issue no longer suffices for commercial needs.

The latest Bank of France statement shows that the bank notes issue is dangerously near the legal limit of forty-one milliards.

The Minister of Finance, M. Clementel, in a speech in the Senate attributed the high water-mark of the note issue to the hoarding of bank notes.

In order to cope with this, a new issue only to be employed for discounting commercial bills signed by the most solvent traders, is foreshadowed. It is denied that this is inflation.

It is mentioned that Britain, France and Belgium have agreed to market five hundred million gold marks worth of Dawes scheme railway bonds in October. M. Herriot emphasised the Government's opposition to inflation. He said there was no intention to make a fresh note issue. To cope with the situation the Government desired a clean treasury.

LATEST CABLES.

LONG CABINET SITTING.

Paris, April 3rd.
The seriousness of the crisis is indicated by the Cabinet meeting, which lasted till 5 o'clock in the morning, and at which M. Painlevé, President of the Chamber of Deputies, was present.

The report that the Cabinet has resigned is unfounded.

M. CLEMENTEL'S SUCCESSOR.

The resignation of M. Clementel, which was accepted, followed M. Herriot's unexpected intervention in the Senate last evening when he denied Government's intention to make a fresh note issue. M. Herriot had been summoned from the Chamber to clear up a misunderstanding among the Senators, arising from M. Clementel's speech, dealing with treasury inflation.

The former Minister, M. De Monzie, has been nominated to succeed M. Clementel.

SIGNS OF EXCITEMENT.

The fact, that said Senators almost came to blows; while M. Herriot's replies to the bombardment of questions were practically inaudible above the hubbub, reflects the general excitement culminating from the persistent reports of an imminent capital levy and currency inflation.

M. Clementel, in explaining his resignation to the Senate, revealed disagreement a few days ago in the Cabinet, which favoured the briefest statement in the Senate regarding the financial difficulties; whereas M. Clementel recommended new taxation on alcohol, tobacco and income tax, instead of launching vast levies.

The seriousness of the issue is emphasised in the papers, which dwell on the precariousness of the position of the whole Government. They point out that the financial situation remains to be resolved.

M. Herriot is faced with further embarrassment in the Vatican issue, the note on which comes up in few days.

ORIGIN OF TROUBLE.

Paris, April 3rd.
Latterly the Government has examined means to offset the shortage of paper in circulation in view of commercial needs. Yesterday, while the Senate was discussing the budget, M. Clementel advocated the issue of special notes, guaranteed by commercial bills; but M. Herriot, speaking shortly after, regretted that the question of the treasury had been connected with that of the budget. He seemed to consider that other measures should be taken to overcome the circulation difficulties. After the sitting of the Senate, M. Clementel resigned.

To the evening, a meeting, attended by M. Painlevé and some of the Deputies of the Left and all the Ministers, except M. Clementel, was convened at the Quai d'Orsay.

It rejected every suggestion of inflation and, according to the papers, would have considered a capital levy.

After the departure of M. Painlevé, the deputies in council accepted M. Clementel's resignation and appointed Senator De Monzie as Finance Minister.—Havas.

LATEST CABLES.
LONDON EXCHANGE.

MARKET OPENS UNSETTLED DUE TO FRENCH CRISIS.

London, April 3rd.
The exchange market opened unsettled, owing to the financial situation in France.

France francs were heavily offered and fluctuated violently. Belgian francs were weaker in sympathy.

There was little effect shown on the Stock Exchange, but French issues were marked down about half per cent.

PRUSSIAN PREMIER.

HERR BRAUN, SOCIALIST, IS RE-ELECTED.

Berlin, April 3rd.
The Socialist and former Premier, Herr Braun, has been re-elected Prussian Premier. He was elected by a majority of 220 votes out of 432.

EARLIER CABLES.

PORT DARWIN BASE.

PROPOSAL NOT YET UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

London, April 2nd.
In the House of Commons, replying to Capt. W. Wedgwood Benn, Mr. W. C. Bridgeman, First Lord of the Admiralty, stated that the establishment of a naval base at Port Darwin was originally suggested by Admiral Henderson in 1911.

Mr. Bridgeman understood that the Commonwealth Government were not proceeding with the proposal at present. No suggestion had been made for an Imperial contribution.

SUMMER TIME.

London, April 2nd.
Official summer-time begins at two o'clock in the morning of the 19th inst.

ACTION IN HOLLAND.

The Hague, April 2nd.
The First Chamber by 31 votes, to 17 rejected a Bill designed to abolish summer-time, which the Second Chamber passed a few weeks ago.GOVERNMENT BONDS.
NEW STOCK IS ALREADY AT PREMIUM.London, April 2nd.
The Government offer of £23,000,000 of 3½ per cent. conversion stock by tender resulted in tenders at 278. 18. 8. receiving 33 per cent. and above in full. Applications totalled £23,610,000. The stock is now quoted at one-quarter to three-eighths premium.TREATY OF SCHELDT.
FRENCH AND BRITISH GIVE APPROVAL.Brussels, April 2nd.
The French Government, which with Britain is one of the protecting powers under the 1839 treaty, has signified its approval of the Belgian and Dutch navigation agreement, regulating, *inter alia*, navigation on the Scheldt.PARIS UNIVERSITY.
TWO-THIRDS OF STUDENTS ON STRIKE.Paris, April 2nd.
It is estimated that two-thirds of the Paris University students to-day "downed books," and the students in fifteen out of eighteen provincial Universities are striking in sympathy.FOOTBALL AT HOME.
LATEST RESULTS OF GAMES IN LEAGUE.London, April 2nd.
In the first division of the English League, West Ham and Notts Forest drew a goalless game, and Blackburn Rovers beat Birmingham by 7 goals to 1. In the Southern division, Aberdare defeated Swansea by three goals to one.LATEST CABLES.
[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

RYE FOR RUSSIA.

BALTIMORE MAKING LARGE SHIPMENTS.

Baltimore, April 3rd.
Seventy million bushels of rye, stored in elevators in Baltimore, are being shipped to Russia before April 25th, under arrangements with the Soviet Government.

POLITICAL SITUATION IN CHINA.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

SITUATION AT FOOCHOW.

FURTHER ATTACKS MADE ON ANGLO-CHINA COLLEGIANS.

Peking, April 2nd.
It is reported from Foochow that further attacks have been made against the families of students attending the Anglo-Chinese College who continue to attend the College.

These students left the College after their families had been given three days' warning to leave the city.

The Student's Union are now demanding that the Y.M.C.A. and other educational institutions shall join the Union and take part in its activities.

The Union has published circulars openly defying the authorities.

The Fish Guild, apparently, has yielded to the student's threats, and the disposal of fish handled by American firms has been prevented.

It is feared that the activities of the students are likely to spread to other institutions and foreign organisations other than American.

LATE DR. SUN SEN.

COFFIN FROM MOSCOW PROVES UNSATISFACTORY.

Peking, April 2nd.
The remains of Sun Yat Sen were conveyed from the Central Park to Tientsin to-day.

The casket from Moscow, which arrived yesterday, proved unsatisfactory, and the body was borne to the Western Hills in the original coffin.

The Grand Master of Ceremonies and Wang Yu Sun, the personal delegate of the Chief Executive, offered sacrifices before the coffin at 2.30 this morning, after which the members of the Cabinet and then Sun Yat Sen's family performed rites.

The coffin was then carried to a motor hearse provided by the Peking Union Medical College.

The parade from the Central Park, which began at 11 o'clock, was very similar to the parade from the Peking Union Medical College to the Central Park, consisting of troops, bands, officials and students, including representatives of the ten middle schools and 50 private schools and several universities.

A guard-of-honour, sent by the Chief Executive, brought up the rear of the procession.

EARLIER CABLES.

DOHENY OIL DEAL.

WORLD SITUATION IS MUCH AFFECTED.

New York, April 2nd.
The oil situation throughout the whole world is affected by the Doheny oil deal. The deal is equivalent to the amalgamation of the Pan-American Petroleum Company with the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, and is undoubtedly the greatest in the history of the oil industry. The combined assets exceed \$500,000,000.

The Standard Oil Company have now secured first rank position, not only in America but in the markets abroad.

CHICAGO WHEAT MARKET.

GENERAL SELLING WITH WIDE FLUCTUATIONS.

Chicago, April 2nd.
Wheat broke five to six and a half points owing to heavy rains in the south-west and west which ended the drought. Indefinite reports of financial troubles in Italy also depressed the market. There was general selling with wide fluctuations.

RAILROAD DEAL.

Cleveland, Ohio, April 2nd.
Stockholders in the New York-Chicago-St. Louis railroad, the so-called Nickelplate road, have voted overwhelmingly in favour of leasing their property to the new Nickelplate Company stockholders.

The Chesapeake-Ohio and Rocking Valley-Perre Marquette railroads have already approved the scheme.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI'S CHILD LABOUR.

INTERNATIONAL GENEVA BOARD TAKE-UP MATTER.

Geneva, April 3rd.
At a meeting of the Managing Board of the International Labour Office, the Director-General was requested to give attention to the question of child labour in Shanghai. He was asked to collect information with a view to discussion within the limits of the draft agreements, previously adopted by the International Labour Conference.

JAPAN'S NAVY.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF SHIPS NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION.

Tokyo, April 3rd.
The Ministry of the Navy announces that 22 war-ships are now under construction, of a total tonnage of 124,900. They include:
5 first-class cruisers.
3 second-class cruisers.
10 destroyers.
1 aeroplane mother-ship.

WEAPONS FOR ARMY.

The Army is despatching seven experts to France, five to the United States; and three each to England and Germany to investigate new weapons.

CHINA INDEMNITY BILL.

PROPOSALS DEFINING MEASURE FULLY DISCUSSED.

London, April 2nd.
The House of Commons, Committee presided over by Sir Robert W. Hamilton (L. Orkney) further considered the China Indemnity Application Bill, and discussed at great length the proposals specifically defining the purposes to which the money is to be devoted.

The Committee agreed to Mr. Ronald McNeill's proposal that the matter be left to the discretion of the Advisory Committee. It was also agreed, on Mr. Ronald McNeill's motion, that the Advisory Committee consist of eleven persons, in order to give China two representatives on the Committee.

The Bill passed the committee stage, and will be reported to the House of Commons as amended.

TEXT OF AMENDED BILL.

The text of the China Indemnity application bill, as amended by the standing committee, and now issued, provides that any sums received at any time after December 1st, 1922, on account of China's indemnity shall be applied to such educational or other purposes as in the opinion of the Foreign Secretary, would be beneficial to the mutual interests of His Majesty and the Republic of China.

The Advisory Committee in this connection shall consist of eleven persons appointed by the Foreign Secretary, of whom at least one shall be a woman and two citizens of China.

[FROM THE "DAILY BULLETIN."]

JAPAN'S AIR FORCE.

PLAN TO DOUBLE STRENGTH IN SIX YEARS.

Tokyo, April 2nd.
The military air force, which hitherto had been recruited from all arms, is separating, from May 1st, on a plan designed approximately to double the force within the next six years.

Though abolishing four army divisions, the actual personnel reduction is under 5,000.

The combined manoeuvres to take place about the middle of April, propose to study the best means for warding off a naval and air attack on Tokyo.

On March 21st, Mr. J. F. M. Carruthers, of Raja Muns estate, Kuala Selangor, shot a black panther, which had caused considerable damage for three months. The beast was a fine male, measuring 6 feet 10 inches, and was in excellent condition.

CHEERFUL VIEW OF BRITAIN.

AN AMERICAN REPORT.
SOUND FINANCE.

A penetrating and instructive report on "The Present State of Great Britain" has been presented in Washington to the American section of the International Chamber of Commerce by Mr. Basil Miles, the American Administrative Commissioner of the Chamber.

"The World," Mr. Miles begins, "knows a great deal about Great Britain and the British Empire, but probably forgets more than half of it. It has come to be taken for granted."

"The fact is that the British Empire of modern times is not only the most extensive, comprising, as it does, one-fifth of the land surface of the globe, and the most populous dominion known to mankind but is also the wealthiest. British wealth has not only helped America to build its railways and organise permanent markets for its cotton and tobacco, but has also incidentally played a leading role in the development of four other continents."

A STUPENDOUS EFFORT.

Mr. Miles continues:
It is a trite saying that each of the Allies in turn, including America, won the world war. It is certainly true, however, that none of them played a greater part or bore a heavier burden than did Great Britain. Quite apart from the magnificent naval and military efforts of the British, it is no exaggeration to say that their contribution on the economic side was stupendous. But this contribution was by no means limited to supplies, munitions, and shipping. While America loaned gigantic sums for the success of the war, the amounts loaned by Great Britain for the same purpose were nearly as great and, with accumulated interest, now aggregate over \$2,500,000,000.

The net result has been that immediately after the Armistice the United States was the only one of the great nations that was solvent in the sense that it could then pay its debts. An American Ambassador is credited with telling the British Government that the world was suffering from this very fact, and that he would accordingly like to see at least two solvent nations in existence, instead of one.

And so the British, alone of all the great nations, realised that national credit was the basis of commercial prestige, and determined to pay what some consider may fairly be termed the blood-money for its restoration. In after years they may be grateful for the spur that stimulated their effort, but for the present, with other great countries lagging behind, the goal is proving a sore one.

NO SUGARED PILL.

It is true that the American national debt has been multiplied by twelve times by the war; but—taken in the aggregate—in England the man of moderate income now contributes to the annual support of his Government over six times what his class did before the war, and the well-to-do and rich as a class contribute over eighteen times as much. The burden of England's contribution to the winning of the war is thus "brought home" to the people in a very literal sense and to a degree, that has approximated—punishment.

There is no attempt to sugar the pill or to dodge the burden of taxation. On the contrary, it is placed squarely before the voters of the country, and very literally brought home to every door.

SOCIALISM AND TRADITION.

Referring to the late Socialist Government, Mr. Miles says:
The final result cannot be forecast. It would seem, however, that tradition will again assert its influence; that those who now rise to power in the industrial world, whether from the ranks of Capital or of Labour, will assume the traditional responsibility which, in the past, has led men who had leisure from the preoccupation of money-making to devote their energies to public affairs.

While the tone of society has changed and the figures in political life are new, custom and tradition still maintain their sway to a surprising degree.

Cynics insist that Britain's day is done. It is a fact that the further expansion of foreign trade, the re-conquest of old markets and the development of new outlets are imperatively necessary. On the other hand, the effort, planned by the leaders and accepted by the people, to clean house, re-establish credit, balance the budget, and regain those sound conditions of trade which have made the British merchant famous in the past is bound to reap its due harvest.

The British flag is still pre-eminent in the world's merchant marine, and if the effort outlined is accurate, taking also into account British foresight in seeking control of oil supplies for the new developments of the future, this generation will see the British Empire maintaining its conspicuous and invaluable position among the Great Powers of the world.

AIR TRAGEDY IN THE DESERT.

The mystery of an air tragedy in the desert in Iraq has at length been cleared up. On July 24th of last year, Flight Lieutenant William Conway Day and Flying Officer Donald Ramsay Stewart were reported missing. Rescue machines, the same day, discovered their aeroplane in a damaged condition, but, despite an exhaustive search, no trace of the missing officers could be found. It was only a few days ago that airmen, perceiving white objects on the sand of the desert, came down and found that they were the bleached skeletons of two men. The Air Ministry now announces that the bodies have been identified as those of the missing officers. It is supposed that the officers, after making a forced landing, attempted to seek assistance at Jalilah, about 12 miles due north, and lost their way in the attempt.

THE AMERICAN LANGUAGE.

UNIQUE SPECIMEN OF A WEIRD NEW TONGUE.

No prizes are offered for translations into English of the following NEA Service message to the *Manila Times*, but any British reader who correctly deciphered it may be congratulated on some noteworthy mental gymnastics.Chicago, March 20th.—Rufus Wallingford is a piker!
Behind the slickest set of pink whiskers to be found on any continent is a poker face and polished or vulgar tongue that can beat you at any de luxe confidence game ever played.

At least police, in laying down their money, bet odds on Joseph "Yellow Kid" Weil, who during the past 20 years has jiggered up and down the continent in a game of mental leap-frog with an army of pursuing officers just a wink behind.

Take horse races, dummy stock exchanges, bubble brokerage, all these are simple arts to the "Kid." Something for nothing—or a lot for a little—that's his bait.

He used this bait in his latest exploit in Detroit. There he did a little one-act skit entitled "Out-Hijacking the Hijackers."

If left Terrence Ryan, of the river front and run-running haunts, behind with a lesson learned and minus \$14,000, plus 200 cases of Scotch.

Ryan met the "Kid" in his latest disguise—he was "Dr. Warrington, late of Vienna, Paris, Shanghai, Berlin," with a slick booze and dope-peddling plot afoot. The doctor slyly mentioned it to Ryan.

"Take me on," begged Ryan. After three days of entreaty, the "doctor" did. They met on the Canadian side, just across from Detroit, where Terrence was waiting with \$14,000 as evidence of good faith to help finance the deal.

Plenty of liquor passed between the "doctor" and Ryan during preliminary negotiations. Ryan woke up hours after "Dr. Warrington" and the \$14,000 had departed.

And while police are investigating the "Kid's" latest exploit he has slipped into the part of a "vamp" by entering the list of "other men."

It is Mike Carrozzo—"Dago Mike," labor leader and erstwhile pal of "Big Tim" Murphy and Vincenzo Cosmano, convicted of the Dearborn station mail robbery—who claims the "Kid" stole his wife.

HE'S "TOWN PET."

The "Kid" has operated in Chicago for so long he has become a town pet. Two years ago Governor Small released him from prison after he had served two years of an eight-year term.

Out of jail, he promised to mend his ways—to go straight.

But soon came rumblings of an alleged fake stock deal in which Chicago stationery millionaires were supposed to have been duped out of \$30,000.

Two weeks ago the "Kid" again was charged with duping H. L. Kutter, wealthy manufacturer of Hamilton, O., out of \$38,000. And there is a record that Weil once was accused of lifting \$12,000 from S. C. Langworthy, a banker of Buffalo, Wyo.

AND SO FORGETFUL.

Lately the "Kid" has been cutting a wide swath, giving waiters \$20 tips, and disposing himself only as a bon vivant who has plenty of cash and inclination can.

Of slender build, he is rather less than medium height. Heavy horn-rimmed glasses, giving him a studious air, and his pink Van Dyke beard, neatly trimmed and close-cropped mustache, add to his debonaire appearance.

To the world he wiggles a derisive finger and says to his accusers, "Really, old chap, I cawn't remember ever having met you."

Sometimes, however, the "front" breaks down and then the "Kid" lapses. His "ain't's" are profuse, and when unwatched he picks his teeth.

That's because he is a "back-of-the-yards" product, where grammar is not over-particularly squeamish and pink whiskers are rare, indeed.

ARE WIRELESS FEES LEGAL?

In the Chancery Division of the High Court on March 3rd an extraordinary application came before Mr. Justice Astbury, with the object of testing the legality of the charges made by the Post Office as fees for wireless listening licences. Robert Moffat, Ford, an amateur wireless operator, who conducted his own case, sought an injunction to restrain the Postmaster-General from handing over to the British Broadcasting Company £250,000 out of the amount obtained for listeners' licence fees, the contention being that, under the Wireless Telegraphy Act of 1920, the Postmaster-General had no right to collect licence fees from holders of receiving sets, but only from holders of transmitting sets. His Lordship: "Where is your interest therein? Plaintiff: 'As a taxpayer concerned in a large sum of public money now in jeopardy. His Lordship: 'We are all taxpayers. Plaintiff: 'But nobody else thought of it. Mr. Justice Astbury refused to grant an injunction in the absence of representatives of the Broadcasting Company and the Postmaster-General, and adjourned the application.

The action in which the owners of the steamship *Ban Ho Guan* sought a declaration that the owners of the *Glenalloch* were responsible for the damage caused in a collision between the two vessels in the Singapore Roads last October, concluded in the Supreme Court, Singapore, on March 24th, when the Chief Justice, Sir Walter Shaw, gave judgment for the defendants. During the hearing of the case, which had occupied several days, the Senior Naval Officer, Captain P. H. Stevens, accompanied His Lordship on the bench as assessor.

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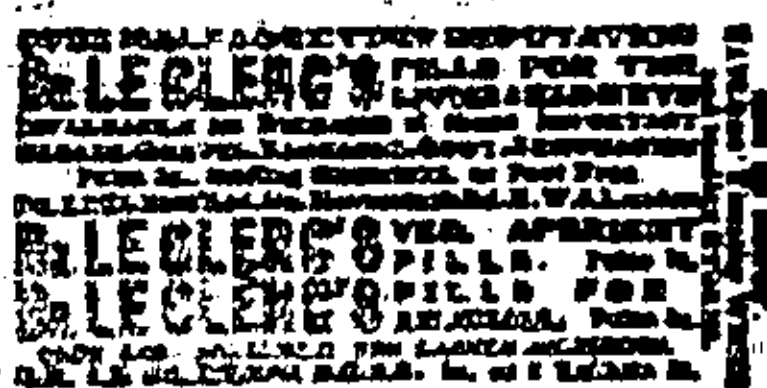
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"CARMARTHENSHIRE"	30th Apr.	7th May
"CARMARTHENSHIRE"	14th May	21st May
"GLENTARA"	3rd June	10th June

HOMWARDS.

Vessel	Leaves Hongkong	Arr. London
"GLENNAP"	16th Apr.	23rd Apr.
"GLENSHANE"	21st Apr.	28th Apr.
"CARMARTHENSHIRE"	7th May	14th May
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"GLENTARA"	10th June	17th June

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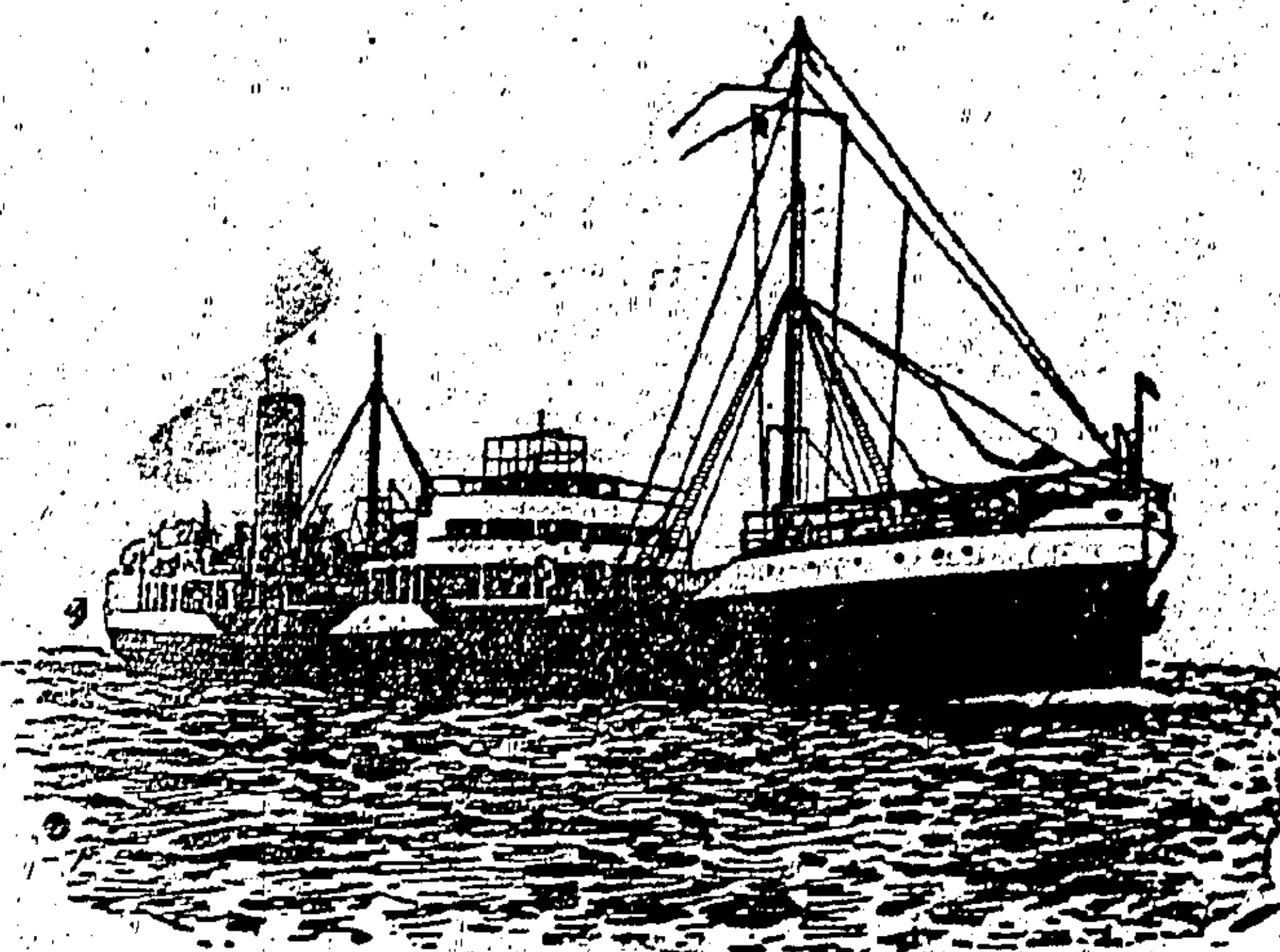
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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS.

April 2nd.
Endeavour, British str., 3,290 tons, Capt. James Struth, from Singapore, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—Giggs, Livingston & Co.
Borneo, British str., 1,297 tons, Capt. J. H. van den Berg, from Haiphong and Hoihow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 615.—Shun Tai S.S. Co.
Chung Hing, Chinese str., 240 tons, Capt. Leung Sau Kong, from Kwong Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at Ping On wharf.—Hong On Co.
Isar, Norwegian str., 781 tons, Capt. R. Hannevig, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters, Koon Seng.
Jerke, Norwegian str., 674 tons, Capt. E. Krogh, from Sten, with a cargo of sugar, lying at buoy No. A52.—Pak Tai Co.
Molani, Chinese str., 761 tons, Capt. Chan Chai, from Kwong Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C17.—Tsun Seng S.S. Co.
Nauchong, British str., 1,306 tons, Capt. J. M. Hopkins, from Wuhan, with a cargo of rice, lying at Stonecutters.—B. & S.
Telenichia, British str., 1,340 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Saigon, with a general cargo and rice, lying at buoy No. 3.—Woo Fat Shing.
West Sequana, American str., 3,321 tons, Capt. E. Smedrup, from Shanghai, which port she left on April 2nd, with a general cargo, lying at Lanchuk.—Struthers & Barry.
April 3rd.
St. Albans, British str., 4,119 tons, Capt. G. S. Smith, from Australia. She left Manila on April 1st, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf.—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.
Sakuragi, British str., 2,000 tons, Capt. O. B. Wilks, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Ping On wharf.—W. On S.S. Co.
Sumatra, Norwegian str., 943 tons, Capt. P. S. Johnson, from Bangkok, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B13.—K. Farnes & Co.
Kayo Maru, Japanese str., 1,128 tons, Capt. Y. Okura, from Keelung, with a general cargo and coal, lying at O.S.K. wharf.—O.S.K.
Kiro Maru, Japanese str., 2,666 tons, Capt. R. Kawada, from Taitai Day, with a cargo of lime stone, lying at Kowloon Bay.—Y.K.K.
CLEARANCES.
April 3rd.
Anhui, for Amoy.
Chienan, for Haiphong.
Chokyo Maru, for Bangkok.
Klatsund, for Saigon.
Haining, for Amoy.
Kohu Maru, for Saigon.
Kojima Maru, for Canton.
Kure Maru, for Shanghai.
Kyokko Maru, for Chongqing.
Mai Sado, for Sandakan.
Palace, for Kwang Chow Wan.
Prosper, for Saigon.
Tikarung, for Peking.
Typhoon, for Yokohama.
West Sequana, for Cebu.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The s.s. *Agamemnon* (Blue Funnel Line), from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 2nd inst. for this port, and is due to arrive here on the 5th inst.
 The N.D.L. s.s. *Traut* will arrive here today, at 10 a.m., from Shanghai. She will sail for Europe on April 2nd, Singapore and ports at 5 p.m., the same day.
 The s.s. *Orion* (Blue Funnel Line), arrived at Boston on April 2nd.
 The s.s. *Mercedes* (Blue Funnel Line), left Port Said on March 23rd for Amsterdam, London and Haiphong.
 The s.s. *Thetis* (Blue Funnel Line), left Port Said on April 2nd for Marseilles, London, Rotterdam and Glasgow.
 The s.s. *Tenir* (Blue Funnel Line), for Marseilles, Liverpool and Glasgow, left Shanghai on April 3rd for this port, and is due to arrive here on April 6th. The vessel will be despatched at p.m. on April 6th.
 The s.s. *Autour* (Blue Funnel Line), for Marseilles, London, Rotterdam and Glasgow, left Shanghai on April 2nd for this port, and is due to arrive here on April 5th. The vessel will be despatched at noon on April 7th.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Agamemnon (Blue Funnel), due April 10th.
Automedon (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 30th.
Celebs (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 15th.
Dioned (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 25th.
Empress of Australia (C.P.R.), due April 10th.
Fukushima Maru (N.Y.K.), due to-day.
Hakozaki Maru (N.Y.K.), due April 20th.
Hakusan Maru (N.Y.K.), due May 4th.
Mantua (P. & O.), due to-day.
Menelaus (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 12th.
Mentor (Blue Funnel), due on or about April 15th.
Mishima Maru (N.Y.K.), due April 15th.
President Harrison (Dollar), due April 27th.
President Jackson (Admiral Oriental), due April 6th.
President McKinley (Admiral Oriental), due April 17th.
President Monroe (Dollar), due April 13th.
Helens (Blue Funnel), due on or about May 3rd.
Sumatra (Swedish East Asiatic), due on or about May 4th.
 (Other Shipping News on page 9).

VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	FOR PERMIT APPLICANT	TO BE DESPATCHED
New York & Boston via PANAMA	Libson Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 15th inst.
New York & Boston	Siberian Prince	Siberian	Swire	On 1st May
BALBOINA, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, &c.	Sumatra	Brit.	Gilman & Co.	About 5th May
Boston, New York & Baltimore via SUZ	Reliance	Brit.	Batterfield & Swire	On 19th inst.
Boston, New York & Baltimore via SUZ	City of Durban	Brit.	The Bank Line, Limited	On 7th inst.
SAN FRANCISCO via SHAI & JAP. PORTS & HTO.	President Lincoln	Am.	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	On 11th inst., 10 a.m.
SAN FRANCISCO, &c.	West Farall	Am.	Struthers & Barry	On 10th inst.
VICTORIA & VANCOUVER, B.C., via SHANGHAI, &c.	Empress Australia	Brit.	Canadian Pacific O. S. Ltd.	On 17th inst.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE & VANCOUVER via J. PORTS	Shiducka Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 23rd inst.
SEATTLE & VICTORIA via SHAI KORE & YOKOHAMA	Philodetes	Brit.	Batterfield & Swire	On 23rd inst.
MARSEILLES & LONDON	President Jackson	Am.	Admiral Oriental Line	On 15th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c.	Meatua	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 15th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c.	Andr. Lebon	Brit.	Meusegarier Maritimes	On 15th inst.
MARSEILLES, &c.	Angers	Brit.	Meusegarier Maritimes	On 15th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP via SINGAPORE, &c.	Kashima Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, &c.	Telford Hall	Brit.	The Bank Line, Limited	On 17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM, &c.	Trier	Brit.	Batterfield & Swire	On 17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM & GLASGOW	Auton	Brit.	Melchers & Co.	On 17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG via ORAN	Glennier	Brit.	Batterfield & Swire	On 17th inst.
MARSEILLES, LONDON, ROTTERDAM, HAMBURG & BREMEN	Zosma	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 17th inst.
BOMBAY via SINGAPORE & COLOMBO	Calcutta Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 17th inst.
SEATTLE & CALCUTTA	Namsang	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA	Luhora	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
SINGAPORE & BOMBAY	Napora	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
SINGAPORE & BELAWAN-DELI	Vaa Cloot	Brit.	Java-China-Japan-Lijn	On 17th inst.
BRINDISI, VENICE & TRIESTE	Persia	Brit.	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	On 17th inst.
WEDDING, CHITTOO & TIENTSIN	Kaichow	Brit.	Batterfield & Swire	On 17th inst.
SANDAKAN	Mansang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 17th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS via MANILA	Aki Maru	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	St. Albans	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	Taiyuan	Brit.	Batterfield & Swire	On 17th inst.
SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA	Tajima Maru	Jap.	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	On 17th inst.
SHANGHAI via SWATOW	Huangshang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 17th inst.
SHANGHAI, MOI & KORE	Talamba	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
SHANGHAI, MOI & KORE	Kalan	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
YOKOHAMA, SHANGHAI, KORE & MOI	Serdula	Brit.	Dodwell & Co., Ltd.	On 17th inst.
YOKOHAMA, SHANGHAI, KORE & MOI	Tikohang	Brit.	Java-China-Japan-Lijn	On 17th inst.
YOKOHAMA, MOI & KORE	St. Albans	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
YOKOHAMA, MOI & KORE	Mora	Brit.	P. & O. B. I. & A. L.	On 17th inst.
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MANILA	Yuen-sang	Brit.	Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.	On 17th inst.
MANILA	President Jackson	Am.	Admiral Oriental Line	On 17th inst.
CHITTOO, ZAMBOANGA & SINGAPORE	West Sequana	Brit.	Struthers & Barry	On 17th inst.

WEATHER REPORT.

April 3rd at 17.30.—Pressure changes are small since this morning.
 Depressions are shown over into China and over the Bonins.
 Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, April 3rd 0.04 inch. Total since January 1st, 16.17 inches, against an average of 8.33 inches.
 The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, April 4th is as follows:—
 Direction: ... N.E. winds, moderate.
 Force: ... (S.E. winds, mod.)
 Hongkong to Gap Rock: ... (S.E. winds, mod.)
 South coast of China between: ... do.
 South coast of China between: ... do.
 Hongkong and Hainan: ... do.

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Day	Previous On Date		On Date	
	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.	at 2 p.m.	at 6 a.m.
Barometer	29.90	29.78	29.76	29.76
Temperature	70	76	76	79
Humidity	81	80	79	79
Wind Direction	E	S	SW	2
Force	8	8	2	2
Weather	om	om	0	0
Rain	2.31	0.00	0.04	0.04
Highest open-air temperature on 2nd	76			
Lowest open-air temperature on 3rd	73			

HONGKONG TIDE TABLE.

Day of Week	High Water		Low Water	
	Days of Month	Height	Days of Month	Height
Satur.	4	h. m. ft. in.	h. m. ft. in.	h. m. ft. in.
Sun.	5	8 10 4 4	11 42 4 7	4 7 2
Mon.	6	8 14 4 6	1 22 4 6	4 6 2
Tues.	7	8 18 4 8	1 32 4 5	4 5 2
Wed.	8	8 22 4 9	1 42 4 4	4 4 2
Thur.	9	8 26 4 10	1 52 4 3	4 3 2
Fri.	10	8 30 4 11	2 02 4 2	4 2 2

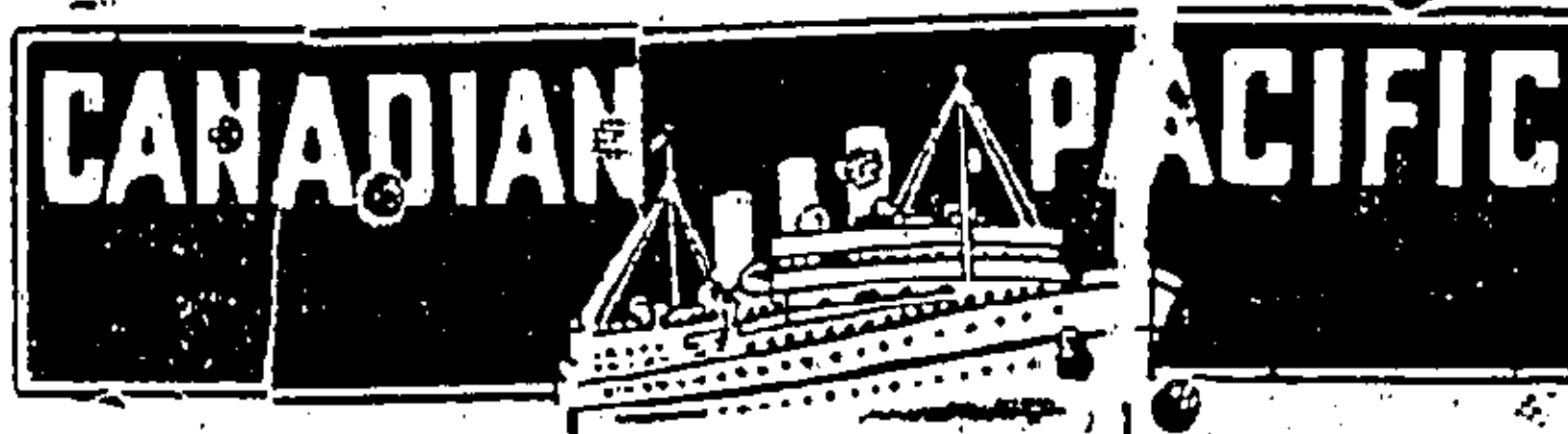
CHURCH SERVICES.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.—Sunday Services, April 5th.
 Morning Service at 11 o'clock.
 Hymns: 318, 734, 189, 270.
 Anthem: "God shall wipe away all tears."
 Preacher: Rev. J. Horace Johnston, B.A.
 Evening Service at 6 o'clock.
 Hymns: 253, 239, 645, 457, 690.
 Preacher: Mr. J. L. McPherson, M.A.
 Tuesday, 7th April, at 9 p.m.—13.
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 TSURUGA MARU ... Monday, 13th Apr.
 SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila Ports
 AKI MARU ... Wednesday, 22nd Apr. at 11 a.m.
 MISHIMA MARU ... Wednesday, 20th May

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 BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town
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 CALOUTTA MARU ... Tuesday, 25th Apr.

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 NAGASAKI, KORE & YOKOHAMA
 MISHIMA MARU ... Thursday, 16th Apr.

SHANGHAI, KORE & YOKOHAMA
 TAJIMA MARU ... Saturday, 4th Apr.
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"NAGPORE"	1,983	31st Apr.	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"LAHORE"	5,252	24th Apr.	Singapore & Bombay.
"MALEDONIA"	11,089	2nd May	Marseilles & London.
"SARDINIA"	8,884	18th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"NAGOYA"	8,554	30th May	Marseilles & London.
"SOUHAN"	8,884	30th May	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MORRA"	10,911	30th May	Marseilles & London.
"SICILIA"	8,813	9th June	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KALYAN"	8,144	18th June	Mars., London & Antwerp.
"MALWA"	10,941	27th June	Marseilles & London.
"DELTA"	8,097	6th July	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"KASHMIR"	8,985	11th July	Mars., London & Antwerp.
"SARDINIA"	8,884	22nd July	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'bay.
"MANTUA"	10,908	22nd July	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAB"	9,005	8th Aug.	Marseilles & London.
"MALEDONIA"	11,089	22nd Aug.	Marseilles & London.
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"TALMA"	10,000	24th Apr.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TILAWA"	10,005	1st May	do.
"TALMA"	8,018	6th May	do.
"TAKIWA"	7,928	11th May	do.
"TAIRRA"	7,923	28th May	do.

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"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	29th April	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne.
"TANDA"	8,553	3rd June	do.
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"TALAMBA"	8,018	15th Apr.	Shanghai & Kobe
"SARDINIA"	8,884	17th Apr.	Shanghai Moji & Kobe
"NAGOYA"	8,554	23rd Apr.	do.
"TAKIWA"	7,928	28th Apr.	Kobe
"MORRA"	10,911	1st May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"SOUHAN"	8,884	1st May	do.
"TAIRRA"	7,923	6th May	Kobe
"TANDA"	8,553	8th May	Moji & Kobe
"KALYAN"	8,144	15th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"SICILIA"	8,813	15th May	Shanghai & Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	20th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"ARAFURA"	6,000	6th June	Moji & Kobe
"KASHMIR"	8,985	12th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"DELTA"	8,097	12th June	Shanghai, & Kobe
"MANTUA"	10,908	26th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"SARDINIA"	8,884	28th June	Shanghai & Kobe
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	4th July	Moji & Kobe
"KASHGAB"	9,005	10th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"SOUHAN"	8,884	10th July	Shanghai & Kobe
"MALEDONIA"	11,089	24th July	Shanghai Moji & Kobe
"KARMA"	8,193	7th Aug.	do.
"SICILIA"	8,813	7th Aug.	Shanghai & Kobe
"TANDA"	8,553	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"NARKUNDA"	16,227	21st Aug.	Shanghai.
"KALYAN"	8,144	4th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe
"ARAFURA"	6,000	5th Sept.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Sept.	Shanghai & Kobe
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SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"KANCHOW"	On 4th Apr. Noon.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 5th Apr. 10 a.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KWANGTUNG"	On 5th Apr. 11 a.m.
WHEATWAT, CHERPOO & TIENTSIN	"KUEICHOW"	On 6th Apr. 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"SECHOWAN"	On 6th Apr. 5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SHANGHAI"	On 8th Apr. 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	"KANCHOW"	On 11th Apr. Noon.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	"KAYING"	On 13th Apr. 11 a.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUNNING"	On 13th Apr. 11 a.m.
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